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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PARM, NATO, MBFR
SUBJECT: DRAFT AHG REPORT ON DATA DISCUSSION

REF: STATE 176170

1. WE CONVEYED REFTEL POINTS (MINUS FYI PORTIONS) TO JOHN WILBERFORCE (FCO) ON JULY 13. WITH TYPICAL DEFERENCE, HE DISAGREED.
2. WILBERFORCE BELIEVED IT USEFUL TO HAVE AHG RECOMMENDATIONS AVAILABLE IN CAPITALS TO REFLECT UPON DURING THE REVIEW THAT EACH GOVERNMENT WILL INEVITABLY BE MAKING BETWEEN NOW AND FURTHER (TRI-LATERAL) CONSULTATIONS IN SEPTEMBER. HE SAID AHG RECOMMENDATIONS WOULD NOT COMMIT PARTICIPANTS AND THAT DURING BILATERAL CONSULTATIONS IN WASHINGTON IT WAS AGREED THAT AHG WOULD BE PRIMARY SOURCE OF RECOMMENDATIONS ON TACTICS.

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3. WILBERFORCE SAYS HE FULLY SUBSCRIBES TO VIEW THAT NEITHER AHG REPORT NOR ITS CONSIDERATION IN NATO SHOULD BE PERMITTED TO PREJUDGE NATIONAL OR ALLIANCE POSITIONS ON HANDLING DATA ISSUE OR EASTERN COUNTER-PROPOSAL. HE SAID AHG REPORT COULD PROCEED WITHOUT CIRCUMSCRIBING FREEDOM OF ACTION OF PARTICIPANTS, AND USG CAN BE ASSURED THAT HMG IS NOT IN FAVOR OF PRE-

CIPITATE ACTION OR "INSTANT DECISIONS" BY NATO.

4. HE DOUBTS THAT AHG REPORT COULD BE DISCUSSED IN NATO PRIOR TO AUGUST LULL, BUT IS CONCERNED THAT COMBINATION OF BRAKES ON AHG REPORT PLUS AUGUST HOLIDAY SLOWDOWN WILL RESULT IN UNDUE DELAY AND BELIEVES THAT AHG REPORT SHOULD GO FORWARD IN THE MEANTIME.

5. HE INDICATED UK DEL VIENNA WOULD BE INSTRUCTED ALONG THESE LINES.

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